

MADERA COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT

COMMON REPORTED VIOLATIONS

Abandoned Vehicles

The accumulation and storage of abandoned, wrecked, inoperative, or dismantled vehicles or parts thereof on private or public property, including highways, are found to create a condition tending to reduce the value of private property; to promote blight and deterioration; to invite burglary, theft, and other crimes; to create fire and environmental and safety hazards; to create a harbor for rodents, insects, and other pests; and to constitute

a nuisance and be injurious to the health, safety, and general welfare. Therefore, the presence of an abandoned, dismantled, inoperative, or wrecked vehicle, or parts thereof, on private or public property, including highways, except as expressly hereinafter permitted in Madera County Code, constitutes a public nuisance which will be abated.

Junkyards/ Trash/ Debris

Is the use of more than two hundred square feet of the area of any lot for the storage or keeping of junk, discarded household appliances, including scrap metals, abandoned vehicles, debris, tires or other scrap materials or refuse, that is outside of a completely enclosed structure or licensed landfill, dismantling or wrecking yard. It shall be the duty of every owner, manager, or person in possession, charge or control of any property or properties within the unincorporated area or areas of the county to keep the premises in his control under the 200 sq ft. limitation. A sanitary condition means that all parts thereof are free and clean of any accumulation of rubbish, combustible or noncombustible refuse, waste or garbage, to the satisfaction of the Code Enforcement Officer.

Dangerous Buildings

Homes, commercial or industrial buildings that have become dilapidated or rundown to a state deemed to be dangerous by the County of Madera. These are often vacant structures are an open invitation to illegal activities that may threaten the health and safety of the surrounding community. Depending on the condition, the structure will be cleaned and secured or demolished at the owner's expense.



Substandard Housing



Any single or multi-family building or portion thereof on the premises on which the structure or structures are located, in which there exists any of the following listed conditions to an extent that endangers the life, limb, health, property, safety, or welfare of the public or the occupants thereof shall be deemed and hereby is declared to be a substandard building.

Occupation of Recreational Vehicle

Any use not specifically listed as a permitted use shall be considered to be prohibited except as may be otherwise specifically provided by an approved land use permit. In case of question as to the classification of a use, the question shall be submitted to the zoning administrator for determination.



Waste/ Refuse/ Garbage

It shall be the duty of every owner, manager, or person in possession, charge or control of any motel, restaurant, hotel, apartment, eating establishment, any commercial food handling establishment; such as markets, fruit stands, grocery stores or vacant lots and of every person occupying, or owning a dwelling within the unincorporated areas of the county to keep the premises in his control in a sanitary condition which means that all parts thereof are free and clean of any accumulation of rubbish, combustible or noncombustible refuse, waste or garbage, to the satisfaction of an environmental health officer.

